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DOCKS

If you are going to build a dock, either on Lake Chesdin or on the James River, you will need to know several important things:

1. If you are building only a dock, a building permit is not required. If your dock is going to include a boathouse or any other structure, a permit will be required.
2. You will need to get approval from the Planning Department and Environmental Engineering.
3. If you are building your dock in Lake Chesdin, you will need the approval of the Appatomax Water Authority (804) 748-8627. They actually own all of the land below elevation "164" and you will have to bring all of the materials to your site by barge.
4. If you are building your dock on the James River, you will need the approval from the Army Corp of Engineers.